GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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MONKEY MENACE IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a spurt in monkeys menace in the National Capital Territory of Delhi;

(b) if so, whether a number of school going children have been mauled by monkeys recently; and

(c) if so, the action taken to prevent the menace of monkeys?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINITRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a) to (c) Monkey menace has been there in National Capital Territory of Delhi for quite sometime.Recently, there were Newspaper reports of monkey attacks on children at a Delhi school. In order to reduce their population, civic agencies have taken steps to catch Monkeys and translocating them in their natural habitat outside Delhi. A monkey shelter has been constructed at Rajokari for giving temporary shelter to the captured monkeys and for their medical treatment till they are translocated. About 200 Monkeys have been captured from various areas of Delhi and had since been translocated in forests of U.P. State.